

To: Michael Powell

I strongly OPPOSE the proposed changes that would increase the consolidation of media ownership. As Americans, we need to have access to diverse views in order to properly understand and make decisions about our leaders and the direction they take policy. Our needs will not be served when the media is consolidated to a greater degree than it already is. Most companies have their own political agendas and the more limited the companies the less likely we will have exposure to diverse opinions. At this writing, we still have a constitutional right to free speech. History has shown us that any group with too much power is a threat to our democracy. Have we not learned anything from our own actions abroad?

On June 2nd, I urge you to retain the current ownership rules.

